

# Lab 6: Computing Gene Tree Probabilities with COAL

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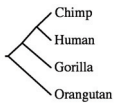
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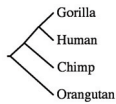
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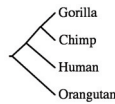
## Example 1: Computing a Gene Tree Distribution



76.6%  
 79.1%



11.4%  
 9.9%



11.5%  
 9.9%

Observed proportions of each gene tree among ML phylogenies

Predicted proportions using parameters from Rannala & Yang, 2003.

## COAL Example 1: Input Files

► How do we do this with COAL?

► Example files:

► `ex1.speciestree.tre:`

```
(((H:1.0,C:1.0):1.2,G:2.2):4.2,O:6.4);
```

► `ex1.genetrees.tre:`

```
(((H:1.0,C:1.0):1.0,G:2.0):1.0,O:3.0);  

  (((H:1.0,G:1.0):1.0,C:1.0):1.0,O:3.0);  

  (((C:1.0,G:1.0):1.0,H:1.0):1.0,O:3.0);
```

## COAL Example 1: Input Files

► `infile_example1`:

```
[Infile for Example 1: Computing a Gene Tree Distribution]
begin coal;
ntax = 4;
taxa names = H C G O;
gene tree file = ex1.genetrees.tre;
species tree file = ex1.speciestree.tre;
intra = no;
ngtrees = 3;
nstrees = 1;
bstyle = none; [branch lengths read from file]
logfile = ex1.logfile.log;
outfile = ex1.output.out / gtopo probs;
end;
```

## COAL Example 1: Output Files

- Once these files are stored in same directory as COAL, run COAL by typing "coal" from the prompt
- Results will go in file `ex1.output.out`:

1	GT:(((H,C),G),O)	0.790712390916
2	GT:(((H,G),C),O)	0.098892600081
3	GT:(((C,G),H),O)	0.098892600081

## COAL Example 1: More Options

► `infile_example1` with histories option:

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ngtrees = 3;
nstrees = 1;
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logfile = ex1.logfile.log;
outfile = ex1.output.out / gtopo histories probs;
end;
```

## COAL Example 1: More Options

- Now the results file looks like this:

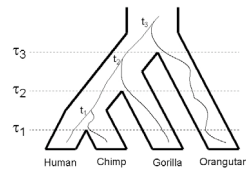
(1,2)		0.688326792210
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(2,2)		0.098139949438
(2,3)		0.000752594219
(3,3)		0.00000056424
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- ▶ (1, 2) means that the first coalescent event happens on branch 1 of the species tree (branches are labeled in a post-order traversal), and the second coalescent event happens on branch 2 of the species tree

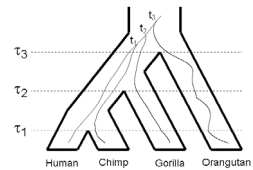


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- ▶ (3, 3) indicates that both coalescent events happen above the root (which events these correspond to depends on the gene tree)



## Example 2: Computing a Gene Tree Distribution

- ▶ In the previous example, we looked at the probabilities associated with three possible gene trees
- ▶ We might wish to completely characterize the gene tree distribution by computing the probabilities associated with *all* possible gene trees
- ▶ In addition to displaying values for a fixed set of species tree branch lengths, COAL will give us probabilities associated with both histories and gene trees which will allow us to characterize and study our distribution

## Example 2: Computing a Gene Tree Distribution

- ▶ An example gene tree distribution - 4 taxa

## COAL Example 2: Input Files

► Example files:

► `ex2_speciestree.tre`:

```
(((A:1.0,B:1.0):1.0,C:2.0):1.0,D:3.0);
```

► `ex2_genetrees.tre`:

```
((A,D),B),C);
((A,B,D),C);
((A,B),C),D);
((A,B),C),D);
((A,B),C),D);
((A,D),C),B);
((A,C,D),B);
((A,C,D),B);
((A,C),B),D);
((A,C),B),D);
((A,C),B),D);
((B,D),C),A);
((B,C,D),A);
((B,C,D),A);
((B,C),A),D);
((B,C),A),D);
((B,C),A),D);
```

## COAL Example 2: Input Files

► `infile_example2`:

```
[infile for Example 2: Computing a Gene Tree Distribution]

begin coal;
ntax = 4;
taxa names = A B C D;
gene tree file = ex2_genetrees.tre;
species tree file = ex2_speciestree.tre;
intra = no;
ngtrees = 15;
nstrrees = 1;
blstyle = none; [branch lengths read from file]
logfile = ex2_logfile.log;
outfile = ex2_output.out / gtopo probs;

end;
```

## COAL Example 2: Output Files

► Results will be in `ex2_output.out`

```
1 GT:(((A,D),B),C) 0.001017535494
2 GT:((A,(B,D)),C) 0.001017535494
3 GT:((A,B),D),C) 0.098035528863
4 GT:((A,B),(C,D)) 0.099053064357
5 GT:(((A,B),C),D) 0.555623375011
6 GT:(((A,D),C),B) 0.001017535494
7 GT:((A,C,D),B) 0.001017535494
8 GT:(((A,C),D),B) 0.020520809552
9 GT:((A,C),(B,D)) 0.021538345046
10 GT:((A,C),B),D) 0.078532254805
11 GT:((B,D),C),A) 0.001017535494
12 GT:((B,C,D),A) 0.001017535494
13 GT:(((B,C),D),A) 0.020520809552
14 GT:((B,C),(A,D)) 0.021538345046
15 GT:(((B,C),A),D) 0.078532254805
```

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ngtrees = 15;
nstrrees = 1;
blstyle = none; [branch lengths read from file]
logfile = ex2_logfile.log;
outfile = ex2_output.out / gtopo histories formulas probs.6;

end;
```

## COAL Example 2: More Options

- ▶ New results - ex2\_output.out

(3,3)	$(1/18)p_{-2} \{2\} (T1)p_{-3} \{3\} (T2)$	0.001018
TOTAL	GT:((A,D),B),C	0.001018
(3,3)	$(1/18)p_{-2} \{2\} (T1)p_{-3} \{3\} (T2)$	0.001018
TOTAL	GT:((A,B),D),C	0.001018
(1,3)	$(1/3)p_{-2} \{2\} (T1)p_{-2} \{2\} (T2)$	0.077515
(2,3)	$(1/3)p_{-2} \{2\} (T1)(1/3)p_{-3} \{3\} (T2)$	0.019503
(3,3)	$(1/18)p_{-2} \{2\} (T1)p_{-3} \{3\} (T2)$	0.001018
TOTAL	GT:((A,B),D),C	0.098036
(1,3)	$(1/3)p_{-2} \{2\} (T1)p_{-2} \{2\} (T2)$	0.077515
(2,3)	$(1/3)p_{-2} \{2\} (T1)(1/3)p_{-3} \{3\} (T2)$	0.019503
(3,3)	$(2/18)p_{-2} \{2\} (T1)p_{-3} \{3\} (T2)$	0.002035
TOTAL	GT:((A,B),C),D	0.099053
(1,2)	$(1/1)p_{-2} \{2\} (T1)p_{-2} \{2\} (T2)$	0.399576
(1,3)	$(1/3)p_{-2} \{2\} (T1)p_{-2} \{2\} (T2)$	0.077515
(2,2)	$(1/1)p_{-2} \{2\} (T1)(1/3)p_{-3} \{3\} (T2)$	0.058011
(2,3)	$(1/3)p_{-2} \{2\} (T1)(1/3)p_{-3} \{3\} (T2)$	0.019503
(3,3)	$(1/18)p_{-2} \{2\} (T1)p_{-3} \{3\} (T2)$	0.001018
TOTAL	GT:(((A,B),C),D)	0.555623
....		

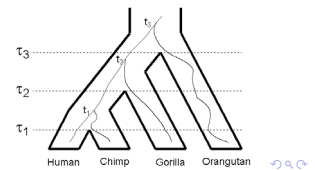
## COAL Example 2: Interpreting Gene Tree Probability Formulas

- ▶ Let's look at the results for one of these gene trees, say the gene tree that matches the species tree:

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- ▶ The formulas tell us the probability of each history; e.g., for history (1,2), we have:

$$P_{21}(T1)P_{21}(T2) = (1 - e^{-T1})(1 - e^{-T2})$$



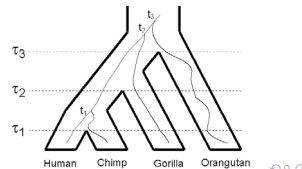
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(3,3)	$(1/18)p_{-2} \{2\} (T1)p_{-3} \{3\} (T2)$	0.001018
TOTAL	GT:(((A,B),C),D)	0.555623

- ▶ For history (1,3), we have:

$$\frac{1}{3}P_{21}(T1)P_{22}(T2) = \frac{1}{3}(1 - e^{-T1})(e^{-T2})$$



## COAL Example 2: Interpreting Gene Tree Probability Formulas

- ▶ To get the probabilities for each of the 15 gene trees, we add the probabilities across histories:

History	Probability Expression	Probability
(1,2)	$P_{21}(T1)P_{21}(T2)$	$(1 - e^{-T1})(1 - e^{-T2})$
(1,3)	$\frac{1}{3}P_{21}(T1)P_{22}(T2)$	$(1 - e^{-T1})(e^{-T2})$
(2,2)	$\frac{1}{3}P_{22}(T1)P_{31}(T2)$	$(e^{-T2})(1 - \frac{2}{3}e^{-T2} + \frac{1}{3}e^{-3T2})$
(2,3)	$\frac{1}{3}P_{22}(T1)P_{32}(T2)$	$(e^{-T2})(\frac{2}{3}e^{-T2} - \frac{2}{3}e^{-3T2})$
(3,3)	$\frac{1}{18}P_{22}(T1)P_{33}(T2)$	$(e^{-T1})(e^{-3T2})$

- ▶ The probability of the tree (((A,B),C),D) is the sum of the expressions in the last column of the table above.

## Example 2: Computing a Gene Tree Distribution

- Some notes:
  - This may take significantly longer than computing likelihoods for a single tree, and will depend on the number of taxa in several ways: e.g., more possible histories, more valid histories, more possible gene trees
  - With the COAL download, files containing all gene trees for up to 8 taxa are obtained (t4all, t5all, t6all, t7all, t8all)
  - A program to generate all possible gene trees is also packaged with the download (enum.c)
  - THINK carefully** before you actually do this for more than 8 or so taxa .... there are many, many gene trees

## Example 3: Simulating Gene Trees Within a Species Tree

- COAL can also be used to generate a sample of gene trees for a fixed species tree
- The infile is [infile\\_example3](#):

```
[infile for Example 3: Obtaining a Random Sample of Gene Trees]
begin coal;
ntax = 4;
taxa names = A B C D;
gene tree file = simulated;
species tree file = ex3_speciestree.tre;
intra = no;
theta = 2;
ngtrees = 100;
nstrees = 1;
blstyle = none; [branch lengths read from file]
logfile = ex3_logfile.log;
outfile = ex3_output.out;
seed1=12345;
seed2=67890;
end;
```

## COAL Example 3: Output

- This will produce a sample of 100 gene trees from the gene tree distribution corresponding to the species tree in the file [ex3\\_speciestree.tre](#)
- The sampled gene trees will be stored in a file called [simtrees.dat](#):

```
(((A:1.0294,B:1.0294):2.12647,C:3.15587):0.138865,D:3.29474);
(((A:1.00434,B:1.00434):1.09363,C:2.09797):1.09494,D:3.19291);
(((A:2.14825,B:2.14825):0.858405,D:3.00666):0.449066,C:3.45572);
(((A:1.02966,B:1.02966):2.05876,C:3.08842):0.0811206,D:3.16954);
(((A:1.19457,B:1.19457):1.0181,C:2.21267):3.10166,D:5.31433);
```

- Branch lengths in the gene trees are given in coalescent units:  $\frac{t}{2N_e}$
- To convert to mutation units, branch lengths should be multiplied by  $\frac{\theta}{2}$ , where  $\theta = 4N_e\mu$

## Example 3: Utility of Simulation Component of COAL

COAL can be used to simulate sequence data under the coalescent model:

- Simulate gene trees in COAL: command line version available to use in scripts
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2. Run a sequence data simulator like Seq-Gen
  - ▶ `awk '{print "[300]" $1}' simtrees.dat > simtrees2.dat`
  - ▶ `seq-gen -mHKY -t1.0 -f0.25 0.25 0.25 -l1500 -p5 -z20584 -on -s0.005 < simtrees2.dat > my_sequence_data.nex`
  - ▶ This will generate a concatenated data set with five partitions of length 300 nucleotides each from the gene trees in the file `simtrees.dat` under the JC69 model with  $\theta = 0.01$ . The data would be stored in the file `my_sequence_data.nex`.

## Example 3: Utility of Simulation Component of COAL

- ▶ Notice that trees are written in a particular order - easy to parse file to pull off branch lengths, or to search for topology of interest
- ▶ Can simulate very large samples of trees without crashing - several hundred thousand
- ▶ Simulation of intraspecific samples is not yet incorporated - coming soon!

## Example 4: Intraspecific Sampling

- ▶ COAL can also compute gene tree probabilities in the case of more than one sample per species
- ▶ Consider the case where two samples are taken from taxa *A* and *B*, and we interested in the probability of the gene tree for which the within taxon samples are monophyletic:

```
(((A-1:1.0,A-2:1.0):1.0,(B-1:1.0,B-2:1.0):1.0):1.0,C:3.0):1.0,D:4.0);
```

- ▶ Note: A specific naming convention is required for the within-taxon samples.

## Example 4: Intraspecific Sampling

- ▶ The infile is `infile_example4`:

```
[Infile for Example 4: Intraspecific Sampling]
begin coal;
ntax = 4 | nstaxa 4;
taxa names = A B C D;
ngtaxa 2 2 1 1;
gene tree file = ex4_genetrees.tre;
species tree file = ex4_speciestree.tre;
intra = yes;
ngtrees = 1;
nstrees = 1;
blstyle = none; [branch lengths read from file]
logfile = ex4_logfile.log;
outfile = ex4_output.out / prob;
end;
```